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FIFTH FIESTA ROTARIA A SUCCESS

ORANJESTAD — The fifth Fiesta Rotaria flea market held in the Wilhelmina Park on Sunday, July 30 was a great success. The Rotarians and Rotary Anns of Aruba prepared a program of attractions which resulted in a very enjoyable Sunday for young and old.

The proceeds of the flea market will be donated to the home for the aged.

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BETICO WELCOMED



ORANJESTAD — Mr. Gilberto F. Croes (Betico), Adviser to the Executive Council of Aruba returned to the island from Holland early Friday morning. A crowd of well wishers were at the airport to welcome him. Among those present were members of the Executive Council and members of the Island and Central Government parliaments.

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BETICO CROES:

ORANJESTAD — In a press conference held Tuesday, MEP leader Mr. Betico Croes said that he had no alternative but to accept Status Aparte for Aruba on January 1, 1986, combined with the date for complete independence on January 1, 1996. Otherwise there would be no Status Aparte at all and in the end Holland would still give independence to the Netherlands Antilles and Aruba would remain under Curacao. He said that the MEP submitted a motion in the Dutch

upper chamber suggesting not to mention the independence date in the Statute change but it was rejected.

Aruba's Island Council will have to approve the Statute change on July 5 (Friday) with at least two thirds (14 votes in favor). If the two thirds vote (14 votes in favor) is not reached, the Island Council will have to be dissolved and new Island Council elections will have to be held.

On June 29 the Staten (Central Government) approved the Statute change. The change approved by 17 votes in favor and 1 (Victor Miguel, Curacao independing, against). Claude Wathey (St. Maarten) and Humphrey Wout (Bonaire) were absent and Benny Nisbet (PPA) and Bob Lopez Henriquez (Aruba independent) abstained.

JOHN BOOI PRESIDENT OF A.D.N. PARTY



ORANJESTAD — Former island Secretary Mr. John Booi was appointed pre-

sident and spokesman of the newly-founded Accion Democratico Nacional party, the party board announced Monday. Aruba Island Council member and de facto founder of the party, Pedro "Charro" Kelly, has been appointed Vice President.

The announcement came as a surprise in political circles on the island.



ORANJESTAD — Lately it was reported that a number of recently born turtles were seen on the beaches of Aruba, (see picture). The experimental station at Santa Rosa and the STINAPA foundation requested the cooperation of the public to return the turtles to the sea or call Santa Rosa on phones 26372, 28102, 26473 or members of the STINAPA.